

## **Massey Victory Heights Residents' Association**

### **Meeting Minutes**

April 27, 2017

#### **I. Call to Order and Introduction of Members of the Executive**

Jason Lesage called to order the meeting of the Massey Victory Heights Residents' Association (MVHRA) at 1912 on Thursday, April 27, 2017 at Mount Zion Lutheran Church, 10th Avenue at Cumberland Street, New Westminster, British Columbia. Approximately sixty (60) people were in attendance including the five (5) invited guests.

Jason Lesage (Past President), Shane Baseden (Vice President), Harry Jakimchuk (Treasurer), Kaleigh Johnston (Secretary), Terry Tomcko (Director), Lynn Radbourne (Director), and Cathy Johnstone (Director) – all present.

#### **II. Treasurer's Report**

Eighty-one members have paid to date.

The bank balance is \$2584.64

#### **III. Committee Reports**

**Neighbourhood Traffic Advisory Committee:** Shane Baseden – The last Committee meeting largely focused on the Sapperton Transportation Plan and the Pedestrian Crossing Improvement Program. Two requests to the Committee were made on behalf of MVHRA, as discussed at the January MVHRA meeting: an advanced left turn at E. Tenth Avenue and Cariboo Road and a stop sign at the Tenth Avenue/Courtney Crescent/Mott Crescent alleyway. Both are being looked into although it was noted that the City of Burnaby holds jurisdiction for the E. Tenth Avenue and Cariboo Road traffic lights.

The Committee would like input from the MVHRA at a future date regarding a no left turn sign at Surrey Street and E. Tenth Avenue.

A MVHRA member noted that that the pedestrian crossing on Tenth Avenue between Chilliwack Street and Westburnco Sports Courts should be reviewed under the Pedestrian Crossing Improvement Program as it is often dangerous to cross, despite the crosswalk.

**Community Police Committee:** Harry Jakimchuk – The last Committee focused on: increased crime in the Quay area; a large fentanyl bust in New Westminster; a warning that Jared Edward Harris has moved into the community and has a high-risk to re-offend; and, the New Westminster Police have updated their coat of arms to state: "Safety, Service, Integrity". A fraud handout was made available for interested MVHRA members.

#### **IV. Neighbourhood Garage Sale**

The deadline to register as a seller in the MVHRA 12th Annual Neighbourhood Garage Sale is Friday, April 28 at 2000. The garage sale will take place on Saturday, May 4. More details can be found on the MVHRA website. Due to a minor technology issue, if you've already sent an email to register as a seller, please do so again.

#### **V. Massey Heights Neighbourhood Hurrah Block Party**

The Block Party will take place on Sunday, September 10, 2017. If any members have suggestions, ideas or requests for the neighbourhood hurrah please contact a member of the MVHRA Executive.

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**VI. Conversation with the Candidates**

Candidates running in the New Westminster provincial electoral district for the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia that were in attendance for the MVHRA meeting included: Judy Darcy (New Democratic Party), Jonina Campbell (Green Party), Lorraine Brett (Liberal Party), James Crosty (Social Credit) and Rex Brocki (Libertarians). The following subjects were discussed through a question and answer with candidates: health care for seniors, housing affordability, the economy, job creation, education, minimum wages and transportation.

**VII. Next Meeting**

The next MVHRA meeting will be at 1900 on Thursday, September 28, 2017 at Mount Zion Lutheran Church.

**VII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2100.